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4. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, comprising a diacyl membrane lipid.

7. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the [polymer] polymeric material comprises a natural gum or a derivative thereof.

8. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the [polymer] polymeric material comprises a synthetic polymer.

9. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the [polymer] polymeric material has cationic or anionic groups.

10. (Amended) The composition of claim 9, wherein the [polymer] polymeric material has carboxyl or sulfate ester groups.

11. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the [polymer] polymeric material is selected from a salt of carboxymethylcellulose, aliginic acid or a salt thereof, a starch modified with anionic groups, agar, carrageenan, gum arabic, gum tragacanth, gum xanthan, pectin, carboxypolymethylene, a methyl vinyl

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ether/maleic acid copolymer and ammonio methacrylate copolymer, chitosan, a methacrylic acid copolymer, a hydrolysed gelatin.

12. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein there is present at least 10 wt. % of the [polymer] polymeric material based on the weight of said base composition.

13. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, further comprising a sugar.

14. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, further comprising a polyol, sucrose ester or polyglyceryl ester or a higher fatty acid or another polyol ester of a higher fatty acid.

15. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, further comprising a biologically active compound.

20. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the biologically active compound is cyclosporin A, Taxol, tacrolimus or a rampamycin.

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21. (Amended) The composition of [any of claims 1-19] claim 1, wherein the biologically active compound is insulin, calcitonin or heparin.

22. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the biologically active compound is ubiquinone, tocopherol, carotenoid or a bioflavenoid.

23. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding claim] 1, which is of powder of size 50-2000 μ m.

24. (Amended) The composition of [any preceding claim] 1, which is of powder of size 50-1000 μ m.

25. (Amended) The composition of [any of claims 1-22] claim 1, which is of a granules of size 1-5 μ m.

26. (Amended) A method for making the composition of [any preceding claim] claim 1, which comprises dissolving or dispersing the ingredients in a solvent and removing said solvent.

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35. (Amended) The composition of claim [33 or 34] 1 or 31, wherein the lipid is derived from egg or soya.

38. (Amended) The composition of any of [claims 33-37] claim 31, wherein the polymer is selected from natural polysaccharide polymers, starches and their derivatives, cellulose and its derivatives and gelatin.